

**Exercise 1** The following is a rational function.

$$g(x) = \frac{1}{x+5} + \frac{1}{x-5} + \frac{x^2-35}{x^2-25}.$$

How many zeros does this function have?

**Exercise 1.1** It is at  $x =$  .

**Exercise 1.1.1** Why is  $x = 5$  NOT a zero of  $g$ ?

**Multiple Choice:**

- (a) Because  $g(5)$  is a nonzero number.
- (b) Because  $g(5) = 0$ .
- (c) Because  $x = 5$  is not in the domain of  $g$ . ✓

**Hint:** Make sure to check your possible solutions are actually solutions.

**Exercise 2** The following is a rational function.

$$h(x) = 1 - \frac{x^2 - 2x + 1}{x^3 + x^2 - 2x}.$$

How many zeros does this function have?